WRITTEN ANSWERS TO STARRED QUESTIONS

Supply of LPG in the Country

†*263. SHRI SATYAVRAT CHATURVEDI:
SHRI MOTILAL VORA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of those States in the country, in respect of which Government is aware of shortage of LPG therein;

(b) the quantum of LPG being allocated in the counry, State-wise; and

(c) whether allocation of LPG for those States would be enhanced in the current year, where such allocation is not done as per their requirement?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI MURLI DEORA): (a) to (c) Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have reported that at present, there is no overall shortage of LPG in the country, and LPG supplies to distributors are being made by the OMCs through indigenous production and imports in accordance with the requirement of customers registered with the LPG distributors. However, OMCs have from time to time reported occasional backlogs in certain States/Union Territories due to natural calamities such as floods, road breaches, collapse of bridge and stoppage of work by various sections of employees, transporters and contract labourers, hartals etc. The Government has advised OMCs to liquidate the backlog in the States/UTs by operating the bottling plants on holidays & by extending hours of working.

The demand of the customers is met by the OMCs and they have supplied 4.86 million metric tonnes (MMT) of LPG in the country during the period from April-September, 2007 as against 4.65 MMT during the period April-September, 2006, showing a growth rate of 4.5%. State-wise details of LPG supplied during the period April-September, 2007 are given in the Statement.

Statement

State-wise Supply of Domestic LOG during the period April-September, 2007

State/U.Ts	Quantity Supplied (in Thousand Metric Tonnes (TMT)
1	2
Andhra Pradesh	388
Arunachal Pradesh	5
Assam	83
Bihar	129
Chhatisgarh	51
Delhi	272
Goa	20
Gujarat	276

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

1	2
Haryana	178
Himachal Pradesh	41
Jammu & Kashmir	58
Jharkhand	47
Karnataka	298
Kerala	213
Madhya Pradesh	201
Maharashtra	683
Manipur	8
Meghalaya	6
Mizoram	8
Nagaland	7
Orissa	66
Punjab	247
Rajasthan	209
Sikkim	4
Tamil Nadu	447
Tripura	9
Uttar Pradesh	547
Uttaranchal	65
West Bengal	260
Andaman & Nicobar	3
Chandigarh	15
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	2
Daman & Diu	2
Lakshadweep	0.1
Pondicherry	12
TOTAL : (in TMT)	4860

Upgradation of Airports in Gujarat

*264. SHRI PRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL: Will the Minister of CIVILAVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal for upgradation of Rajkot airport is under consideration of Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is also a proposal under consideration for a new international terminal building complex at Ahmedabad;

(d) if so, the progress made in this regard; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVILAVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): Yes, Sir.

(b) There are plans for extension of runway upto 7500 ft. and construction of a new terminal building, subject to availability of required land on lease from Indian Railway and divesion of Rajkot-Jamnagar Highway by the State Government of Gujarat.